

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 546

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Junior and Carolyn Phillips Morris on the celebration of their 56th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 1946, Junior Morris and Carolyn Phillips were joined in holy matrimony at the home of Reverend and Mrs. J.R. Hamlin, with Reverend Hamlin performing the ceremony and Mrs. Hamlin and Ruth Lackey, sister of the groom, serving as witnesses; since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, longtime residents of Weakley County, Mr. and Mrs. Morris have been highly respected citizens of the Martin community throughout their married lives; cherishing the relationships they share with their family and many friends, they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, since 1948 Junior Morris has served with acumen as a mechanic, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and clients alike for the exemplary quality of his

work; he was self-employed for twenty-three years at D&M Garage before taking a well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Morris served her family as a full-time homemaker, making the laudable decision to devote all of her many talents to her efforts to provide a loving and nourishing environment for her family and a welcoming sanctuary to all who might visit the Morris home; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced two daughters, Linda Rose Morris Blake and Sandra Renee Morris Adams, each of whom has excelled in her particular field of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the Morrises are also the proud and committed grandparents of seven grandchildren, Dreama Dawn Blake Pyles, David Richard Blake, Amanda Beth Blake McDearmon, Cord Morris Adams, Meghan Breann Adams, Clay Mitchell Adams, and Cole Martin Adams, and of four great-grandchildren, Zachary Blake Pyles, Kaitlin Montanna Blake, Landon Lee McDearmon, and Luke Michael McDearmon; and

WHEREAS, devout Christians, the Morrises have attended Central Baptist Church for fifty years, where Junior Morris serves as a Deacon and the couple's admirable union has provided the congregation with an ideal example of the strength of marital bond that God intended for His children; and

WHEREAS, for fifty-six years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Morrises' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Morris on the celebration

of their 56th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.